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IN THE APPLICATION OF:

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EXAMINER: RAMIREZ, D

FOR: A METHOD FOR PREPARING PARA-HYDROXYSTYRENE BY BIOCATALYTIC

DECARBOXYLATION OF PARA-HYDROXYCINNAMIC ACID IN A BIPHASIC

REACTION MEDIUM

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Introductory Comments

This is submitted in response to the Office Action dated 9/12/2006 by which the application has been made subject to a requirement to resctrict. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and submit the following in support thereof. Please amend the application as follows: